

JOB HAZARD ANALYSIS (JHA)		Date: 04-01-06	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New JHA Revised JHA
Task: Use of firearms		JHA #12	Page <u> 1 </u> of <u> 2 </u>
Task Overview:	During the course of a deployment, APHIS may have to use Firearms for animal/rodent control or as a means of euthanasia		
Task Elements:	Transporting firearms to and from sites Use of firearms in euthanasia Use of firearms for animal/rodent control		
Personal Protective Equipment:	Safety Glasses, hearing protection		
Tools and Equipment:	Firearm		
OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH CONCERNS			
Chemical Agents:	Physical Agents:	Biological Agents:	
Lead	Accidental firearm discharge		
Activity/Sequence of Job Steps	Potential Hazards/ Injury sources	Safe Action or Procedure	
1) Transporting firearms to and from sites		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow all applicable Federal and State regulation on transporting firearms Firearms should be unloaded and in cases during transport Assure the firearm case is secure so as not to slide during transport The firearm and case may only be left unattended in secure locations. Confer with the Security Officer on where firearms can be stored 	
2) Use of firearms for animal/rodent control		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only trained and authorized personnel are to use firearms Assure that the firearm is in good condition and check the chamber Assure that the ammunition used is the ammunition recommended by the manufacturer Always follow the manufacturers guidelines for the firearm APHIS personnel are to assure firearms are not pointed towards people or safety zones during use Areas where firearms are to be used are to be updated and communicated daily. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Safety glasses are to be used with firearms.• If firearms will be used repeatedly or in close quarters hearing protection is to be used. Hearing protection is not be used if it's use will pose a hazard• Firearms are not be fired across roads or other thoroughfares• Firearms are not be fired at hard surfaced• When APHIS personnel are taking lunch, break or finish for the shift, they should wash using soap and cold water
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